

**Remarks:**

Applicants respectfully solicit favorable reconsideration and an allowance.


Applicants acknowledge with appreciation that claims 49-54 are allowed.

The other claims are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer.

The Examiner's courtesy during a telephone discussion on November 1, 2007 is acknowledged. Whether or not to present this Amendment or obtain an Examiner's Amendment to secure the allowable claims was discussed.

Respectfully submitted,

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